

February 9, 2009
Commissioners Meeting
Minutes

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Colfax County, Nebraska was held in the Commissioners Room of the County Courthouse, Schuyler, Nebraska on the 9th day of February, 2009. The County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. Present were: Jerry L. Heard, Jerold Kracl, and Skip Oehlich, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk, Bo Botelho, County Attorney. Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by posting written notice in at least three different public places as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice. Availability of the proposed agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the board. Copies of the Open Meetings Act were posted and available to the public. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was officially convened and open to the public.

The chairman stated a copy of the Open Meeting Act statute is posted and available to the public.

Motion Kracl; second Oehlich to approve the agenda. Voting YES: Heard, Kracl and Oehlich. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Heard; second Kracl to approve the minutes of 1/27/09. Voting YES: Kracl, Oehlich and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Kracl; second Heard to enter executive session for personnel issues at 8:37 a.m. Voting YES: Oehlich, Heard and Kracl. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Heard; second Oehlich to exit executive session at 8:47 a.m. Voting YES: Heard, Kracl and Oehlich. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The chairman stated no action was taken while in executive session.

The weed superintendent gave a report of the activities of his department; a check for spraying on the river was deposited to the treasurer and he will be attending the weed conference held in North Platte next week.

The clerk provided the board with her monthly fees; STOP Revenue received; PrairieLand 2008 Annual Report; and reminded the board to RSVP if they will be attending the Northeast District Spring workshop March 20, 2009 in Norfolk. The clerk also contacted Colonial Supplemental Insurance for employees who may be interested in supplemental insurance.

The board provided an opportunity for public comment.

The board received a copy of the monthly fee report of the District Court Clerk.

The January public defender report will be provided to the board at the next meeting.

The November and December inmate logs from Platte County were provided to the board and placed on file.

The board needed to update the Grievance Board which was established November 13, 2006. They pulled Doug Krivohlavek, Chris Spale and Cindy Wendt by random draw.

Jeff Rauh/Keystone Pipeline gave a slide presentation to the board on Keystone Pipeline and how the pipe will be laid. Two crews will be in Colfax County; construction will start May 15th and completion will be in October or November.

The zoning administrator gave a report of the activities of his office; he provided a NMP Amendment on Mike Dlouhy Feedlot on his Animal Feeding Operation.

The county's 2008 Workplace Safety Manual was presented to the commissioners for approval. The safety committee reviewed the NIRMA sample manual and made revisions for Colfax County. Motion Kracl, second Oehlich to approve the 2008 workplace Safety Manual. Voting YES: Oehlich, Heard and Kracl. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Oehlich; second Kracl to authorize the chairman to sign the proposal and quotation renewal of the county's corporate anti-virus protection with Quest Network Solutions at a cost of \$462.50 for 37 McAfee Active VirusScan. Voting YES: Heard, Kracl, and Oehlich. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The emergency manager gave a report of the activities of his office; he has the county's generator to automatically start every Wednesday, and he informed the board he will attend training in North Platte at the end of March.

The highway superintendent gave a report of the activities of the road department and reviewed with the board correspondence from the State of Nebraska Emergency Management Agency that the payment process has begun for projects in FEMA. Colfax County received \$41,301.95. He also provided TCW Construction Inc. the "Notice to Proceed" as stated in their bid documents that the start of construction date is February 16, 2009 for Soft Match Project Structure No. C001901645. Correspondence from Department of Roads provided the opportunity to review the STIP and Surface Transportation Program Book on line. The highway superintendent discussed with the board the soft match design projects that are on the upcoming 1-6 year plan. He also provided the plan to each commissioner, county clerk and road department.

Motion Heard second Kracl for the approval of Resolution 2-9-09 (1) for speed reduction on Road E and Road 9. Voting YES: Kracl, Oehlich and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Kracl; second Oehrich to authorize the chairman to sign the supplemental agreement, splitting the original two projects, STPE-3135(6) AND STPE-3135(8) into three projects. Project RUR-3135(6) will now have a length of 5.8 miles; RUR-3135(8) will now have a length of 5.0 miles; and the new project RUR-3135(10) will have a length of 6.2 miles. Voting YES: Oehrich, Heard and Kracl. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The date for the gravel bids to be received will be set at the February 24th meeting; the highway superintendent will need to add a table for fuel adjustments to the specs.

The highway superintendent informed the board that the NRD is willing to cost shares the Hydraulic Assessment fifty percent which will provide a survey and engineering services to analyze the capacity of the Hughes Payzant and identify potential projects to improve the function of the ditch. He also discussed the Department of Roads Local Public Agency (LPA) Policies; the manual will be provided by March 9th; training will begin April 6; and a team of NE Department of Roads' Auditors will continue a systematic audit of LPA projects.

The board recessed at 11:55 a.m. to reconvene as BOC at 1:15 p.m.

The clerk summarized the day's agenda and action taken.

Motion Heard; second Oehrich to adjourn BOC at 1:20 p.m. and to meet again February 27, 2009.
Voting YES: Heard, Kracl and Oehrich. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

I, Rita M. Mundil, duly appointed and qualified County Clerk of said county, do hereby state that the above minutes were recorded by me, are true and correct to my knowledge, are recorded in the Commissioners Records and were completed for public inspection and publication on the 10th day of February, 2009.

Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk
